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COMMENTS ON STATEMENT OF REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE

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REMARKS

Applicant offers the following comments in response to the Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance set forth on page 2 of the Notice of Allowability dated July 7, 2008. Initially, Applicant notes that on page 2 of the Notice of Allowability, the Examiner incorrectly indicates that claims 2-3 and 6-11 are allowed. Claims 3, 4 and 6-11 are the claims that have been allowed (as correctly indicated on page 1 of the Notice of Allowability).

Further, Applicant does not admit to the characterization of the teachings of Japanese Patent Application JP 2001-243091 to Tetsuro set forth in the Statement. Moreover, Applicant notes that independent reasons, other than those cited by the Examiner, exist for the allowability of claims 3, 4 and 6-11.

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Patent Office personnel are requested to note that the present submission does not adversely affect the patent term adjustment accrued by the Applicant to date. As emphasized in the “Clarification of 37 C.F.R. §1.704(c)(10) – Reduction of Patent Term Adjustment for Certain Types of Papers Filed After a Notice of Allowance Has Been Mailed,” “a response to the examiner’s reasons for allowance” is an example of a paper that does “not cause substantial interference and delay in the patent issue process” and is “not considered a ‘failure to engage in reasonable efforts’ to conclude processing or examination of the application.” Therefore, the Applicant remains entitled to the full patent term adjustment set forth on page 3 of the Notice of Allowance dated July 7, 2008.

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